



Activity 4: Hammurabi's Code: How does it reflect Babylonian society?

Student Name _____ Date _____

Group 2 The Criminal Justice System in Babylonia

Babylonia had a well-organized justice system. Though the king may have adjudicated capital cases and others, it appears the Babylonian courts were extensive and independent.

After reading precepts 3-5 and 9 of [Hammurabi's Code](#) at the Edsitement-reviewed [Avalon Project](#), answer the following questions:

1. What do these precepts indicate about the legal system?

2. Who served as judges?

3. Were judges held to a high standard? Explain your answer.

4. Were witnesses called?

5. What kinds of punishments were used?
